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President Expected To Act Today on 8.8 Postal Pay Hike

Congressional leaders expect the President to announce his decision today on the 8.8 per cent postal pay raise bill.

In anticipation of a widely predicted veto, members of Congress and employe leaders have statements ready which both denounce and defend a veto.

The President discussed the controversial pay bill yesterday with his congressional leaders. Afterwards, Senate Republican Leader Knowland of California, repeated his prediction that the bill would be vetoed. He added the President would act on the measure in the next day or so.

Later, the President was visited by William C. Doherty, president of the AFL's Letter Carriers, who urged him to sign the bill into law.

A Michigan delegation called on GOP National Chairman Leonard W. Hall in support of the pay bill. It included Donald Leonard, the 1954 Republican candidate for Governor. Leonard said the President's veto of the pay raise bill last year was politically "rather disastrous" and he argued that a repeat would rob the working man of a talking point for the Republican Party.

Hall was quoted as replying the President would make his decision on what he believes to be best for the country as a whole.

STORY: Employees at the Civil Service Commission are telling this story: A girl went to the personnel office to apply for a job. During the interview, the personnel director asked her to describe her previous job and she replied:

"I was a secretary. I had to look like a girl, think like a man, act like a lady, show horse sense and work like a dog."

WILLIAM WALLACE MIL-LEE, formerly deputy personnel director at Small Business, will investigate politics in the Civil Service for the Senate

... Alan A. Lindsay has resigned as executive assistant to Assistant Attorney General Warren Olney. He's returning to practice law in Oakland, Calif. ... CSC Executive Director John Macy will speak to the AFGE Presidents' Club Friday evening at the Willard. Dr. Quincy Adams has transferred from CIA to an economist position in Federal

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